MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

Tuesday, May 16, 2006

10:30 a.m.

Room 519, House Office Building

Chair Huizenga called the Standing Committee on Commerce to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Tobocman, Bennett, Accavitti, Leland (17/19)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Dillon and McConico (2/19)

Representative Jones, supported by **Representative David Law**, moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on May 9, 2006. Hearing no objection, the motion prevailed with unanimous consent.

Chair Huizenga announced that an item on the agenda, House Bill 6041, would not be taken up today.

The Chair laid Senate Bill 1111 before the committee.

SB 1111 Brown

Economic development; other; tax incentives for distribution and warehousing facilities; provide for.

Jeanne Laimon*, from the Office of Senator Brown, explained the intent of the bill and answered questions.

Representative Wenke announced that he would like to distribute a handout to the committee members, pertaining to business taxes. **Chair Huizenga** granted him permission to do so.

Vice-Chair Baxter assumed the Chair, the time being 11:10 a.m.

Howard Heideman, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified in **opposition** to the bill and answered questions.

The following people submitted testimony cards in **opposition** to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Cynthia Paul, representing the Service Employees International Union;

Chris Michalakis, representing the United Food & Commercial Workers - Local 876;

*submitted written testimony and material

Nadine Nosal, representing the International Union – UAW;

M.L. Mickey Knight, representing the Michigan Assessors Association; and

Ken Fletcher, representing the Michigan State AFL-CIO.

Representative Marleau, supported by Representative Meisner, moved to excuse absent members. Hearing no objection, Vice-Chair Baxter excused Representatives Dillon and McConico.

Representative Jones, supported by Representative Palsrok, moved to report Senate Bill 1111 with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker (12/19)

NAYS: Reps. Meisner, Tobocman, Bennett, Accavitti, Leland (5/19)

PASS: None (0/19)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

There being no further business to come before the committee, **Vice-Chair Baxter** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **11:36 a.m.**

Representative Bill Huizenga, Chair

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